

Amend the claims as follows:

-1- (amended twice)

In a chair [[having]] back [[and]] having a headrest assembly including a headrest and a post, the improvement comprising,

a guideway [[on]] located interiorly within the chair back and in which the post is carried,

a retainer assembly [[on]] within the chair back including an arm having a distal end, adjustable means for biasing said distal end toward the post to inhibit post movement along the guideway [[to enable]] and enabling headrest positioning relative the chair back by selected degrees of manual force[[.]], and a bearing sleeve of synthetic material having a segment interposed between said distal end of the arm and the post of the headrest assembly.

Claim 2 (cancelled)

-3- (amended twice)

The improvement claimed in claim 1 wherein said arm has a proximal end, said guideway [[having a support member]] including a flange supporting said proximal end of the arm.

-4- (amended twice)

The improvement claimed in claim 1 wherein [[said adjustable means]] said means for biasing includes an adjustment screw.

-5- (amended twice)

The improvement claimed in claim 4 additionally including a [[cover]] trim plate on the chair back, a fastener normally extending through an opening in said [[cover]] trim plate

and into the chair back, said fastener in axial alignment with the adjustment screw and upon fastener removal permitting access to the adjustment screw through the [[cover]] trim plate opening for temporary application of a tool to the adjustment screw to enable varying of [the] force applied to the post by said arm.

-6- (amended twice)

In a chair having a back and a headrest assembly including a headrest and a post, the improvement comprising,

a guideway [[on]] interiorly of the chair back and receiving the post,

a retainer assembly including a retainer acting on the post, adjustable means for biasing the retainer towards the post to inhibit movement of the post along the guideway, and

a removable fastener normally seated in the chair back and upon fastener removal providing an opening permitting access of a tool to [[said adjustable means for altering the biasing force]] said means for biasing to alter a biasing force of said retainer applied to the post.

-7- (original)

The improvement claimed in claim 6 wherein said retainer is an arm having a distal end proximate said post.

-8- (amended)

The improvement claimed in claim 7 additionally including a bearing of synthetic material having a flanged segment interposed between said distal end of the arm and the post of the headrest assembly.

-9- (amended twice)

The improvement claimed in claim [[6]] 7 wherein said guideway has a support member supporting the proximal end of the arm in a moveable manner.

-10- (amended twice)

The improvement claimed in claim 6 wherein [[said adjustable means]] said means for biasing includes an adjustment screw.

-11- (amended twice)

The improvement claimed in claim 10 additionally including a [[cover]] trim plate on the chair back, a fastener normally extending through an opening in said [[cover]] trim plate and into the chair back, said fastener normally in axial spaced alignment with the adjustment screw and upon fastener removal permitting access to the adjustment screw through the opening for temporary application of a tool to the adjustment screw to enable altering the force applied to the post by said arm and hence post resistance to travel.

-12- (amended twice)

An adjustable retainer for retention of a headrest assembly against all but desired movement and supported by the back of a chair or vehicle seat and including,

[[-]] a guideway carried [[by]] within the chair back,

[[-]] a post positionable along the guideway to determine the elevation of a headrest carried by the post,

[[-]] a retainer arm [[on]] carried by the guideway proximate the post for applying a force transversely of the post to inhibit post travel along the guideway [[and]],

[[-]] a threaded member in abutment with the retainer arm and axially positionable to vary the force applied to the post and hence the degree to which post travel is inhibited, and a bearing member of synthetic material and having a flanged segment partially defined by a slot and interposed between the post and the distal end of the retainer arm.

Claim 13 (cancelled).

Claim 1 currently amended

Claim 2 cancelled

Claims 3, 4, 5 and 6 currently amended.

Claim 7 is original.

Claims 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 currently amended.

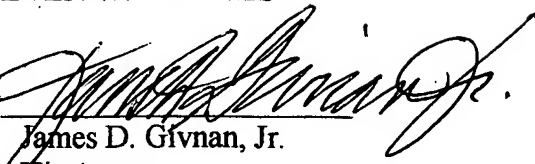
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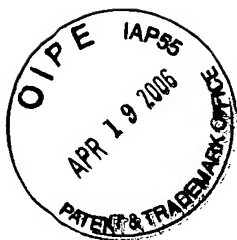
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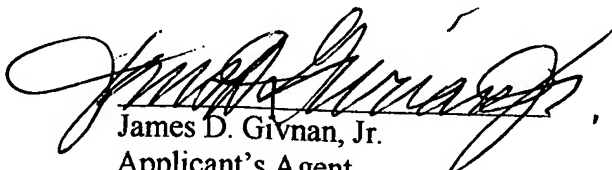

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